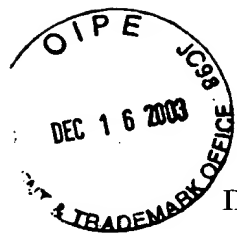


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Satoshi YATABE

ATTENTION: GROUP DIRECTOR

Technology Center 2600

Group Art Unit: 2673

Application No.: 09/921,583

Examiner: L. Shapiro

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For: DRIVING METHOD FOR DRIVING DISPLAY DEVICE, DRIVING CIRCUIT,
DISPLAY DEVICE, AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

**PETITION TO RESET A PERIOD FOR REPLY
DUE TO LATE RECEIPT OF OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that statutory period for replying to the
September 16, 2003 Office Action be reset.

On September 16, 2003, an Office Action was mailed for the above-identified
application. It appears that the Office Action was sent without postage and thus was returned
for that reason to the Technology Center on September 17. The first page of the Office
Action includes a stamp indicating that it was received at the Technology Center 2600 on
September 17. For a period of nearly three months, the Office Action remained in the
Technology Center until it was mailed again on December 12, 2003, and subsequently
received by Applicant's representative on December 15, 2003.

A copy of the envelope in which the Office Action was mailed, including the
December 12, 2003 postmark, is attached. In addition, a copy of the Office Action reflecting